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House Resolution 1179

By: Representatives Loudermilk of the 14<sup>th</sup>, Ehrhart of the 36<sup>th</sup>, Lunsford of the 110<sup>th</sup>, Franklin of the 43<sup>rd</sup>, Mills of the 25<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing Home Education Day at the Capitol; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the members of the House of Representatives are dedicated to excellence in
- 3 education; and
- 4 WHEREAS, the members of this body believe that the fundamental responsibility and right
- 5 to ensure the best quality education for their children and parental choice and involvement
- 6 are crucial to excellence in education; and
- 7 WHEREAS, home education has been a major part of America's education system since the
- 8 beginning of our nation and demonstrates the American ideals of liberty, innovation, and
- 9 individual responsibility; and
- 10 WHEREAS, many American statesmen and leaders, including George Washington, Patrick
- Henry, John Quincy Adams, John Marshall, Robert E. Lee, Booker T. Washington, Thomas
- 12 Edison, Abraham Lincoln, Theodore Roosevelt, Woodrow Wilson, Mark Twain, and Andrew
- 13 Carnegie, were home schooled; and
- 14 WHEREAS, home schooled students continue to exhibit excellence in academic achievement
- and perform well above the national average on standardized achievement tests; and
- 16 WHEREAS, home educated students in Georgia have continually exhibited high standards
- 17 of academic achievement and citizenship.
- 18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 19 the members of this body recognize the parents' right to choose the best education for their
- 20 children and that home education has proven to be a successful form of education.

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Thursday, February 9, 2006, is acknowledged as Home

- 2 Education Day at the Capitol.
- 3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 4 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the public and the press.